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Applicant: Mossbrook et al                      Group Art Unit: 1761  
Serial No.: 09/588,405                      Examiner: S. Weinstein  
Filing Date: June 6, 2000                      Docket No.: D-43310-01  
Title: Printed Thermoplastic Film with Radiation-Cured Overprint Varnish

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### RESPONSE TO ELECTION REQUIREMENT

This paper is filed in response to the Election Requirement mailed February 13, 2003, the period for response being until March 13, 2003.

Applicants elect without traverse Species I (wherein the substrate comprises polyvinyl alcohol) for substantive examination. Claims 1 and 6 are readable thereon.

U.S. Patent 6,438,306 to Bishop et al at column 10, lines 53-54 and 61 provides evidence that acryloylmorpholine is a monofunctional monomer, as requested by the previous Office Action, page 4, lines 4-5. A copy of Bishop is provided with the Disclosure Statement accompanying this Response.

Applicant respectfully submits that the Response filed October 11, 2002 was a *bona fide* effort to advance the application to final action. The Response presented distinctions believed to render the pending claims allowable over the applied references. It replied to every rejection, objection, and requirement as to form. The Response did not omit any necessary part of a complete reply. Thus, the Response was fully responsive.

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